

Tuesday, January 21, 1958

## HIGHLIGHTS

House debated debt-limit increase bill.

## Senate

*Chamber Action*

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 23, at 12 noon.

*Committee Meetings*

## SATELLITE AND MISSILE PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Preparedness Subcommittee continued its inquiry into the satellite and missile programs, receiving testimony in open session from Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, USN (retired), Gen. Carl Spaatz, USA (retired), and Fred Detwiler, president of Chance-Vought Aircraft. Testimony in executive session was heard from Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, Vice Chief of Staff, Lt. Gen. D. L. Putt, Military Director, Scientific Advisory Board, and Assistant Secretary R. E. Horner, all of the Air Force.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

## AIR FORCE CONSTRUCTION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Military Construction Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 9739, fiscal 1958 supplemental Air Force construction authorization bill, with testimony from the following witnesses: Assistant Secretary of Defense Floyd Bryant; and Secretary James H. Douglas, Brig. Gen. William E. Rentz, Deputy Director of Installations, Brig. Gen. C. F. Dreyer, Deputy Director of Installations, Lt. Gen. D. L. Putt, Deputy Chief of Staff, Development, Maj. Gen. K. P. Bergquist, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Brig. Gen. C. M. McCorkle, Assistant Chief of Staff, Guided Missiles, Brig. Gen. B. M. Wootton, Deputy Director of Communications, and Col. E. R. Jackson, Directorate of Installations, all of the Air Force.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following nominations: Thomas C. Mann, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; Dempster McIntosh, of Pennsylvania, to be Manager of the Development Loan Fund, ICA, Department of State; Gerard C. Smith, of D. C., to be Assistant Secretary of State for Policy Planning; George V. Allen, of North Carolina, to be Director of the USIA; Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to El Salvador; H. van Zile Hyde, of Maryland, to be U. S.

Representative on the Executive Board of the World Health Organization; Homer M. Byington, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Malaya; Donald R. Heath, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to Saudi Arabia and Yemen; and Robert McClintock, of California, to be Ambassador to Lebanon.

Prior to this action the committee held open hearings on the Mann, McIntosh, Smith, and Allen nominations, where the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## SCIENCE AND EDUCATION

*Committee on Labor and Public Welfare:* Committee began hearings on the subject of science and education for national defense with testimony from Dr. Detlev Bronk, president, National Academy of Sciences. Dr. Bronk discussed with the committee four major points as follows: (1) relationship of education, especially in the sciences, to national defense, (2) deficiencies in American education as related to national defense, (3) policies and programs which the American people should encourage in education at all levels, and (4) the role of Federal Government in strengthening our educational system.

Hearings continue Thursday, January 23.

## POSTAL RATES

*Committee on Post Office and Civil Service:* Subcommittee on Postal Rates held an executive session, after which Chairman Johnston announced that Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield will appear on Friday, January 24, to explain the administration's new proposal on postal-rate increases. Senator Johnston stated that all interested parties will be invited to testify on this subject during the month of February, that he hoped that the hearings will be concluded at the earliest possible date, and that the committee will be able to present a proposal to the Senate early in March.

## LABOR-MANAGEMENT INVESTIGATION

*Select Committee on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Fields:* Began hearings on operation of the International Union of Operating Engineers, with testimony today pertaining to local No. 3 of this union from Pierre E. G. Salinger, committee investigator; Joseph I. Gordon, detailed to San Francisco from the General Accounting Office; and Pat Clancy, president of local No. 3, San Francisco, Calif.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 34 public bills, H. R. 10146, 10148-10180; 12 private bills, H. R. 10147, 10181-10191; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 506-509, were introduced.

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**Bills Reported:** Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 10146, making supplemental appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1958 (H. Rept. 1288);

Seventh Annual Report of the Activities of the Joint Committee on Defense Production (H. Rept. 1289) (See S. Rept. 1172); and

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 1290).

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**Award:** Passed H. R. 10147, authorizing Representative Walter to accept the award of Cross of Commander of the Order of Orange-Nassau conferred upon him by the Queen of the Netherlands.

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**Debt-Limit Increase:** Adopted by a voice vote H. Res. 446, the closed rule providing for 3 hours of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H. R. 9955, to provide for a temporary increase in the public debt limit. Concluded consideration of the bill but pursuant to a previous agreement deferred final action on it to Thursday when it appeared that a record vote would develop on the pending motion to recommit the bill with instructions to limit the increase to \$3 billion in lieu of the proposed \$5 billion.

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**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 3:57 p. m.

## Committee Meetings

### POULTRY

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Poultry met in executive session and heard Agriculture Department officials review the administration of certain regulations adopted in connection with the Poultry Inspection Act.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE

**Committee on Armed Services:** Resumed executive consideration of certain aspects of the national defense program. Secretary of the Army Wilber M. Brucker was heard.

### FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT

**Committee on Banking and Currency:** Resumed hearings on S. 1451 and H. R. 7026, Financial Institutions Act.

### SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

**Committee on Education and Labor:** Subcommittee on General Education continued hearings on laws relating

to the construction and maintenance of school facilities in areas affected by Federal activities. Witnesses representing the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare were heard.

### FOREIGN POLICY

**Committee on Foreign Affairs:** Met in executive session and received a verbal report from Representative Saund of his recent study mission to the Far East and Middle East. Also ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H. J. Res. 347, authorizing the President to invite the several States and foreign countries to take part in the Fourth International Automation Congress to be held in New York from June 9 to June 13, 1958; and

H. J. Res. 509, authorizing the President to invite the States of the Union and foreign countries to participate in the Second Annual U. S. World Trade Fair to be held in New York from May 7 to May 17, 1958.

### MILITARY AIR SERVICE

**Committee on Government Operations:** Subcommittee on Military Operations resumed hearings on the operations of the Military Air Transport Service in relation to commercial air carriers. Testimony was received from Joseph H. FitzGerald, Director, Bureau of Air Operations, Civil Aeronautics Board.

### GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

**Committee on Government Operations:** Subcommittee on Government Information continued hearings relating to the Government's information policy and scientific research.

### WATERPOWER RESOURCES

**Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:** Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 6997, and related bills, to provide for the joint development of the waterpower resources of the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, by the United States and Pacific Gas & Electric Co.

### SUBSCRIPTION TELEVISION

**Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce:** Continued hearings on subscription television. Testimony was received from Representatives Albert, Arends, and Radwan. Hearings continue tomorrow.

### VETERANS' LEGISLATION

**Committee on Veterans' Affairs:** Special subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 9700, to consolidate into one act all of the laws administered by the Veterans' Administration. Witnesses representing the Veterans' Administration were heard.



## GENERAL REVENUE REVISION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Continued hearings on general revenue revision and received testimony from public witnesses.

*Joint Committee Meetings*

## WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

*Joint Committee on Atomic Energy:* The Military Applications Subcommittee met in executive session

with AEC representatives to review the military weapons development program. Witnesses participating in this session were: Gen. A. D. Starbird, Director, Division of Military Application; Dr. Herbert F. York, Director, Livermore Laboratories; Col. H. C. Brown, Military Application Division; Dr. J. C. Potts, Special Assistant to Commissioner Libby; and Bryan F. LaPlante, Special Assistant to the General Manager, all of the Atomic Energy Commission.



Wednesday, January 22, 1958

## HIGHLIGHTS

House opened debate on supplemental Defense appropriation bill.

## Senate

*Chamber Action*

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*Committee Meetings*

## FARM PROGRAM

*Committee on Agriculture and Forestry:* Committee heard Secretary of Agriculture Benson continue his testimony with respect to the President's recommendations on the farm program. Mr. Benson was accompanied and assisted by his associates.

## SATELLITE AND MISSILE PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Continuing its inquiry into the satellite and missile programs, Preparedness Subcommittee heard testimony in executive session from Secretary Neil McElroy and Deputy Secretary Donald Quarles, both of the Defense Department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

## DISASTER LOANS

*Committee on Banking and Currency:* Committee held and concluded hearings on S. 2918, S. 2920, and S. 2959, bills to amend the Small Business Act to authorize disaster loans to small business concerns suffering economic loss as a result of excessive rain. Witnesses heard on these proposals were: Senator Stennis; Wesley A. D'Ewart, Assistant Director, Agricultural Credit Services, Department of Agriculture; Wendell B. Barnes, Administrator, Small Business Administration; Thad Caraway, Mid-South Farm Equipment Dealers Association,

Memphis, Tenn.; Stacy Kellum, president, Mississippi Oil Jobbers Association; and Earl F. Ravala, Deep South Farm Equipment Association, Bunkie, La. Statements were submitted for inclusion in the record by Senators Eastland, Kefauver, Thye, and Symington.

## TAXATION

*Committee on Finance:* Committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. R. 5938, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 with respect to certain decedents who were adjudged incompetent before April 2, 1948; H. R. 7762, to amend the Revenue Act of 1950 so that it will apply to taxable years ending in 1954 to which the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 applies; and H. R. 8865, relating to the administration of certain collected taxes; and

Amended—H. R. 8216, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to prevent unjust enrichment by precluding refunds of alcohol and tobacco taxes to persons who have not borne the ultimate burden of the tax (amended to make effective date April 30, 1958); and H. R. 9035, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 with respect to the basis of stock acquired by the exercise of restricted stock options after the death of the employee.

## COMMITTEE FUNDS, AND APPOINTMENTS

*Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce:* Committee met in executive session and took the following actions: (1) ordered favorably reported S. Res. 224, authorizing the committee to investigate certain mat-